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the Madras system) still remains far from satisfactory in spite of commissioning an additional 15 MW set in January 1955 in the Basin Bridge Power Station. During the dry months, Madras has got to meet the demand for relief from the Hydro areas due to shortage of water in the reservoirs. Therefore it will not be possible to remove all the restrictions in force till such time as there is an improvement in the power position by the completion and bringing into operation of the Periyar Hydro-Electric Project."

Revenue from temples in the State

* 1995 *Q.*—SRI R. S. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the total income derived by the Government from the temples in the State in 1954?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN:—" The Government do not derive any income from temples. They are collecting contributions and audit fees respectively towards the expenses incurred on the services rendered by them to religious institutions and the cost of auditing the accounts of those institutions. The collections so made during 1st January 1954 to 31st December 1954 were:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Contributions	3,67,515	4	1
Audit fees	3,63,660	12	3"

Village panchayats in Coimbatore district

* 1996 *Q.*—SRI K. G. PALANISAMI GOUNDAR (on behalf of Sri A. Senapathi Gounder): Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total number of village panchayats constituted in the Coimbatore district during the years 1952, 1953 and 1954;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the District Panchayat Officer, Coimbatore, has not taken any steps to constitute a village panchayat for Koluthupalayam village, Dharapuram taluk, even though the villagers are pressing for it; and

(*c*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI:—" (*a*) The number of panchayats constituted in the Coimbatore district during the years 1952, 1953 and 1954 is 2, 4 and 95 respectively.

" (*b*) No, the notification constituting a panchayat for the village was issued in February 1955.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

SRI K. R. NALLASIVAM:—" ஜில்லா போர்டு பஞ்சாயத்து ஆபீஸர்களுக்கு சில இடங்களிலிருந்து பஞ்சாயத்து போர்டுகள் அமைக்கவேண்டுமென்று விண்ணப்பித்திருந்தோம். கீழ் பவானிப் பாசனப் பிரதேசம்